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REMARKS

In response to the Restriction Requirement of September 27, 2005, Applicants hereby elect Invention II, Claims 8-18 drawn to a catalyst. Applicants have withdrawn Invention I, Claims 1-7, drawn to a process for preparing a catalyst. This election is made without traverse as Applicants agree with the Examiner that the canceled claims are patentably distinct from the elected claims.

The title has also been changed to conform to the election of Claims 8-18.

In view of the above, Applicants respectfully request favorable examination and allowance of Claims 8-18.

Respectfully submitted,

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